

**TOWN OF BRATTLEBORO
RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT
BOARD MEETING
September 8, 2014**

The Brattleboro Recreation & Parks Board met on Monday, September 8, 2014 at the Gibson Aiken Center in the Conference Room.

Attending Board Members: Bonnie Carr, Renee Woliver, Sam Rowley, Ricky Davidson and Ben Underhill.

Attending Staff members: Director Carol Lolatte, Assistant Director Jessy Cudworth and Administrative Assistant Kim Isaacsen.

The meeting was called to order by Ricky Davidson at 6:00 p.m.

Agenda Adjustment: None

Public Participation: None

Motion to approve the July 14, 2014 minutes was made by Ben Underhill and 2nded by Bonnie Carr, by a vote of 5-0 minutes were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

SKATEBOARD SITE SELECTION UPDATE: The Selectboard voted that the Theresa S. Brungardt Senior Area at Living Memorial Park should be researched and have feasibility study completed to see if it would be a suitable location for the Skateboard Park. The Selectboard will ask at Town Meeting for \$20,000.00 to help cover the cost of the feasibility study and other research that may need to be completed. This location is currently used for day camp, senior picnics, July 4th activities and other special events. This location will need to be reconfigured to accommodate current use in addition to a Skateboard park. Carol will be reaching out to the family and BASIC Committee members will be reaching to current donors to provide information about the change in location.

WEST RIVER PARK UPDATE: The Snack Bar/Rest Room will go out for a re-bid for the project to be completed in the early spring. Carol has asked for \$50,000.00 from the Withington Fund to help complete the project. The Men's Softball League will donate \$5,000.00 for a score board to be installed and operational for next season. The Buy a Brick Fund raiser continues, to date 42 bricks have been sold. The maintenance shed was painted by volunteers as part of the United Way Day of Caring on Sept. 6.

POOL ENGINEERING SERVICES: The estimated cost of the repairs for this pool is \$390,000.00. Carol will put this into the next budget year and hopes to off-set the costs with fundraising.

GIBSON AIKEN CENTER: The gym floor and the conference room floor have been refinished. The fire exit doors in the back of the building will be replaced in October.

NEW BUSINESS

PROGRAM REPORT:

- Fall registration was September 2nd & 3rd, numbers were a little lower than last year, but will steadily increase over the few next weeks.
- Jessy will be requesting money from the Ray Riddle Trust for Senior Center improvements (Rug Replacement & New Blinds).

DUCK DERBY: This year's Duck Derby was very successful with 34 prizes and 1267 ducks sold.

STAFF CHANGES: Sarah Clark started August 11th, she has a degree in sports management from Castleton State College. She is doing a great job and very organized.

ICE TIME REQUESTS: Figure Skaters have requested a few minor changes they are going to do an exhibition on Nov 15th to help boost numbers and they are changing the time for Winter Carnival show to 6:00pm in the evening vs 2:00pm in the afternoon..

SKI-SKATE SALE: The sale is scheduled for November 7, 8 & 10, we will coordinated with the Brattleboro Outing Club.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 20th at 6:00p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Ben, 2nded by Ricky Davidson at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Isaacsen

Kim Isaacsen, Administrative Assistant